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TITLE: Pharmaceutical Tablet and Process for Making :
Thereof

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Sir

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR FURTHER ELECTION

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 17, 2005, a shortened statutory period for reply thereto having been set to expire one month from the date mailed.

In response to the request for further election of species, Applicant elects a tablet having a first drug in the core and a third drug in the second compressed layer if a second compressed layer is present. Please note that claim 1, which is a member of elected Group I, allows but does require a second compressed layer.

Claims 1-12, 14-36, 38-42, 57-59, 61-69, 71-81, 83-87 and 90-95 are readable on the further elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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